

The Joshua Disney Wheelwright Shop
Private
Highland

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Local historians believe this building was used as a Wheelwright Shop by Joshua Disney, as early as 1847.

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

HO-292
District 5
Clarksville
Magi #1402925611

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

The Joshua Disney Wheelwright Shop

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER East corner of Clarksville Pike (MD 108) and Scaggsville Road (MD 216)
Route 216 and Route 108

CITY, TOWN

Highland, Maryland 20777

STATE

VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

6th

COUNTY

Howard

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

__DISTRICT

☒ BUILDING(S)

__STRUCTURE

__SITE

__OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

__PUBLIC

☒ PRIVATE

__BOTH

PUBLIC ACQUISITION

__IN PROCESS

__BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

☒ OCCUPIED

__UNOCCUPIED

__WORK IN PROGRESS

ACCESSIBLE

☒ YES: RESTRICTED

__YES: UNRESTRICTED

__NO

PRESENT USE

__AGRICULTURE

☒ COMMERCIAL

__EDUCATIONAL

__ENTERTAINMENT

__GOVERNMENT

__INDUSTRIAL

__MILITARY

__MUSEUM

__PARK

__PRIVATE RESIDENCE

__RELIGIOUS

__SCIENTIFIC

__TRANSPORTATION

__OTHER

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Mr. & Mrs. Doanld G. Fentress, etal.

Telephone #: 596-9350

STREET & NUMBER

12468 Limekiln Road

988-9544

CITY, TOWN

Fulton, Maryland 20759

VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,

REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Hall of Records

Tax Map 40 p. 77

Liber #: 922

Folio #: 475

STREET & NUMBER

Howard County Court House

CITY, TOWN

Ellicott City

STATE

Maryland

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

Howard County Historic Sites Inventory

DATE

1978-1979

__FEDERAL ☒ STATE __COUNTY __LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

Maryland Historical Trust

CITY, TOWN

21 State Circle, Annapolis

STATE

Maryland

7 DESCRIPTIONHO- 292
District 5
Clarksville

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		DATE _____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

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North Elevation

A wide, first floor, sliding barn door, takes up the central bay of this elevation, which is covered by German siding. The entrance is flanked by rectangular; double-hung windows, holding six-over-six lights, underlined by projecting wooden sills and decorated with shutters. Three similar, proportionally scaled, vertically aligned, windows punctuate the second floor of this elevation.

South Elevation

The south elevation is covered by vertical barn siding and holds end bay second floor, rectangular, double-hung windows, holding six-over-six lights, decorated with wooden sills and shutters. The square brick exterior chimney, previously mentioned, lies east of center.

East and West Elevations

The east elevation holds no apertures and is covered by vertical barn siding. The west elevation is covered by German siding and

— holds a rectangular, open bible cross paneled entrance door in the north corner, with two rectangular, double-hung windows, underlined by projecting wooden sills, lying south of the entrance. These windows are symmetrically placed, so that the entrance door may or may not be an addition. A wide, second floor, barn door rests above.

8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD		AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION	
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		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION			

SPECIFIC DATES Circa 1847

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Joshua Disney Wheelwright Shop at Highland, Howard County, Maryland is significant in the fields of industry¹ and transportation², having been used as a Wheelwright Shop by Joshua Disney in the nineteenth century and by Malcolm Disney in the twentieth. In addition its association with the Disney family of Highland is highly significant to the local history of Howard County³.

HISTORY AND SUPPORT

1 & 2. According to Mrs. Mildred Gallis, great granddaughter of Joshua Disney, this building is believed to have been used by Joshua Disney for his Wheelwright Shop in 1847. No building, however, is indicated on this corner of the intersection of Routes 108 and 216 on either 1) the Hopkin's Atlas of 1878 or 2) the Martenet Map of 1860. Whether this was an error in the mapping, which is possible, is not known. We do know, however, that this building was used as a Wheelwright Shop by his son, Charles Disney, whose ledgers from the early twentieth century have been preserved. The work done describes the buggy: "bolsters (\$2.25), rims (\$1.50), spokes (30 cents each), side curtains (\$1.20), axle beds (\$2.00), painting tops (\$3.00) and spring bars (75 cents). His son, Malcolm Disney, is also known to have owned this building. When automobiles

later became the mode of transportation, he built a garage and gas station across the street from his father's shop, carrying on the family tradition of serving transportation needs at the cross roads at Highland.

The present building is significant as an example of a nineteenth century Wheelwright Shop. It still retains its large, central, north sliding door, which allowed carriage or buggy entrance, remaining very much as it was when first constructed.

3. The shop's association with the Disney family of Highland is quite significant to the local history of Howard County, Maryland. Here at the Highland crossroads, this family of wheelwrights have furnished an important service to travelers since 1847, when Joshua Disney, the wheelwright came to Highland. It is interesting to note, there was also another Joshua Disney in the history of Highland, with no apparent family ties.

It is known that the first Joshua Disney did operate a wheelwright shop at Highland in 1860. The 1860 Martenet Map notes Joshua Disney as Wheelwright and Blacksmith at this location, on the southwest corner of Routes 108 and 216.

By 1878 W. F. Wall had constructed his General Store, on this same corner, with Highland then known as Wall's Cross Roads.

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Howard County Land Records

Interview with Mrs. Mildred Gallis of Highland, whose uncle, Malcolm Disney operated a wheelwright shop here.

Chamblin, Gill. "Highland: The Communities of Howard County". The Howard County Times. Sept. 11, 1980 pp. 25-28

10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 1.925 Acres

Please see Attachment 1, Tax Map 40

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Please see Howard County Land Records, Liber 922 Folio 475

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE Maryland COUNTY Howard

STATE _____ COUNTY _____

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Cleora Barnes Thompson, A.I.C.P., Projects Archivist

ORGANIZATION

Office of Planning & Zoning-Comprehensive Planning Section

DATE

STREET & NUMBER

3430 Court House Drive

TELEPHONE

CITY OR TOWN

Ellicott City

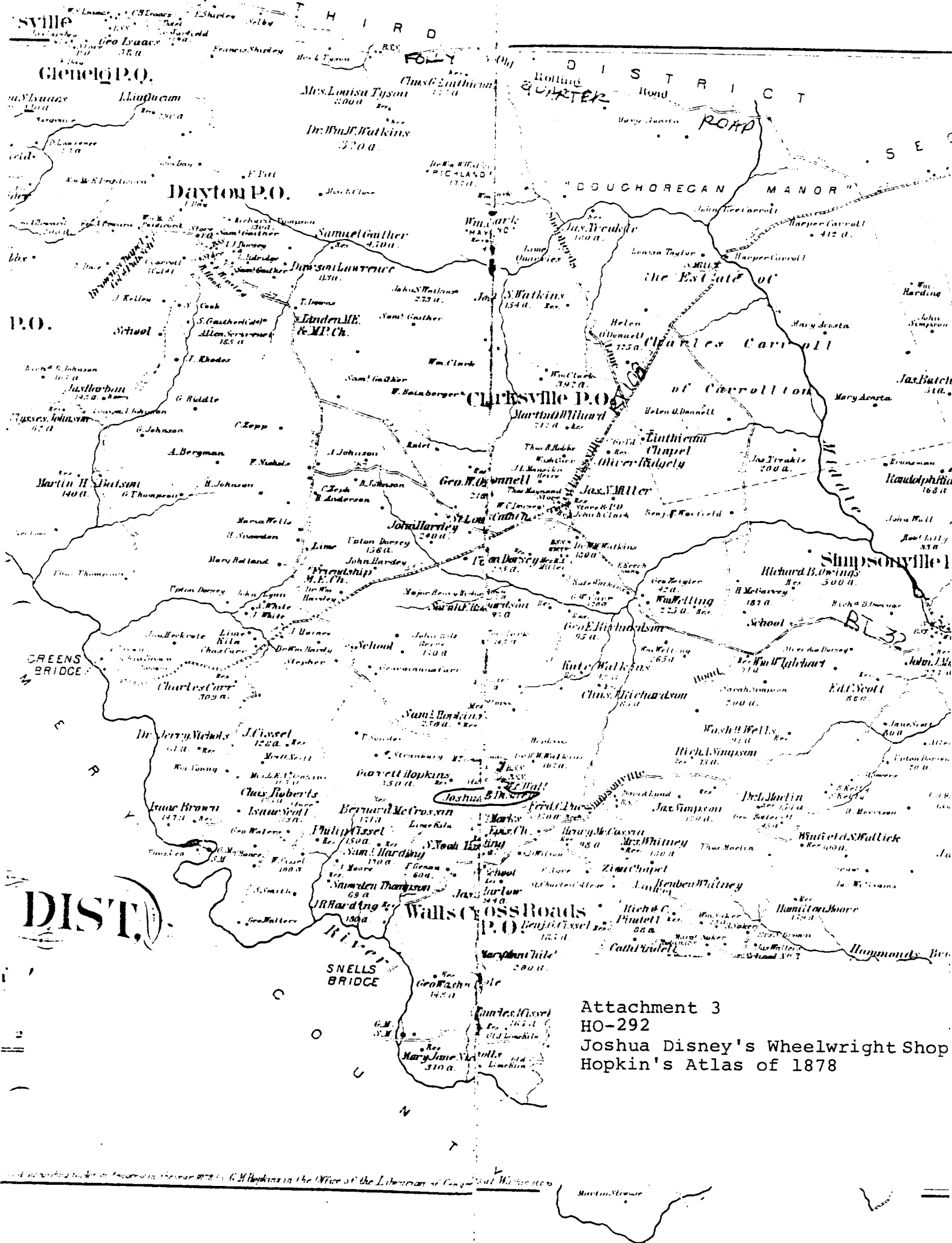
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Maryland

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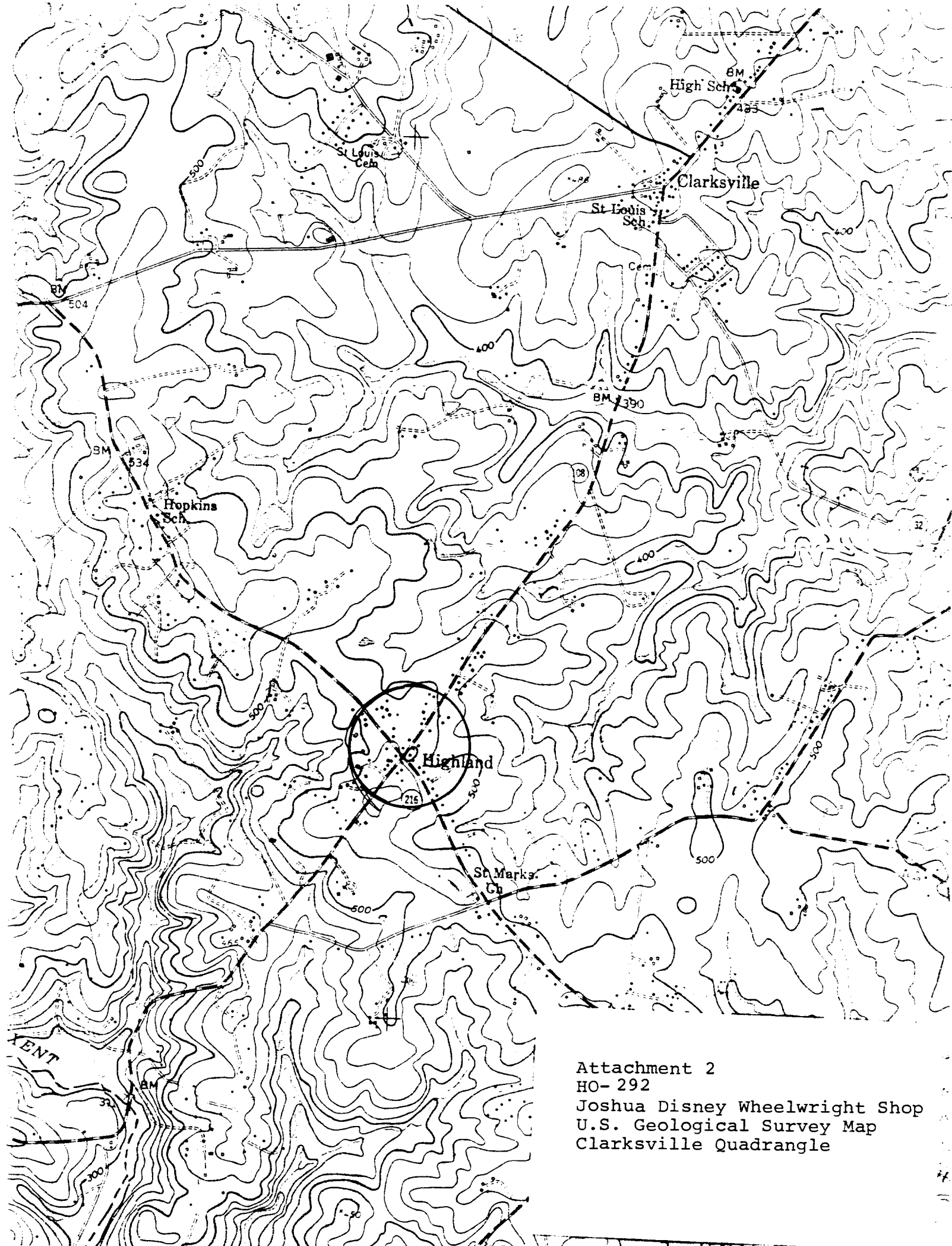
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Annapolis, Maryland 21401
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Attachment 3

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Joshua Disney's Wheelwright Shop
Hopkin's Atlas of 1878



Attachment 2

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Joshua Disney Wheelwright Shop
U.S. Geological Survey Map
Clarksville Quadrangle

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Joshua Disney Wheelwright Shop (Butterfields)
Clarksville Pike and Highland Road
Highland
Northwest facade
Jennifer K. Cosham
April 21, 2004
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Joshua Disney Wheelwright Shop (Butterfields)

Clarksville Pike and Highland Road

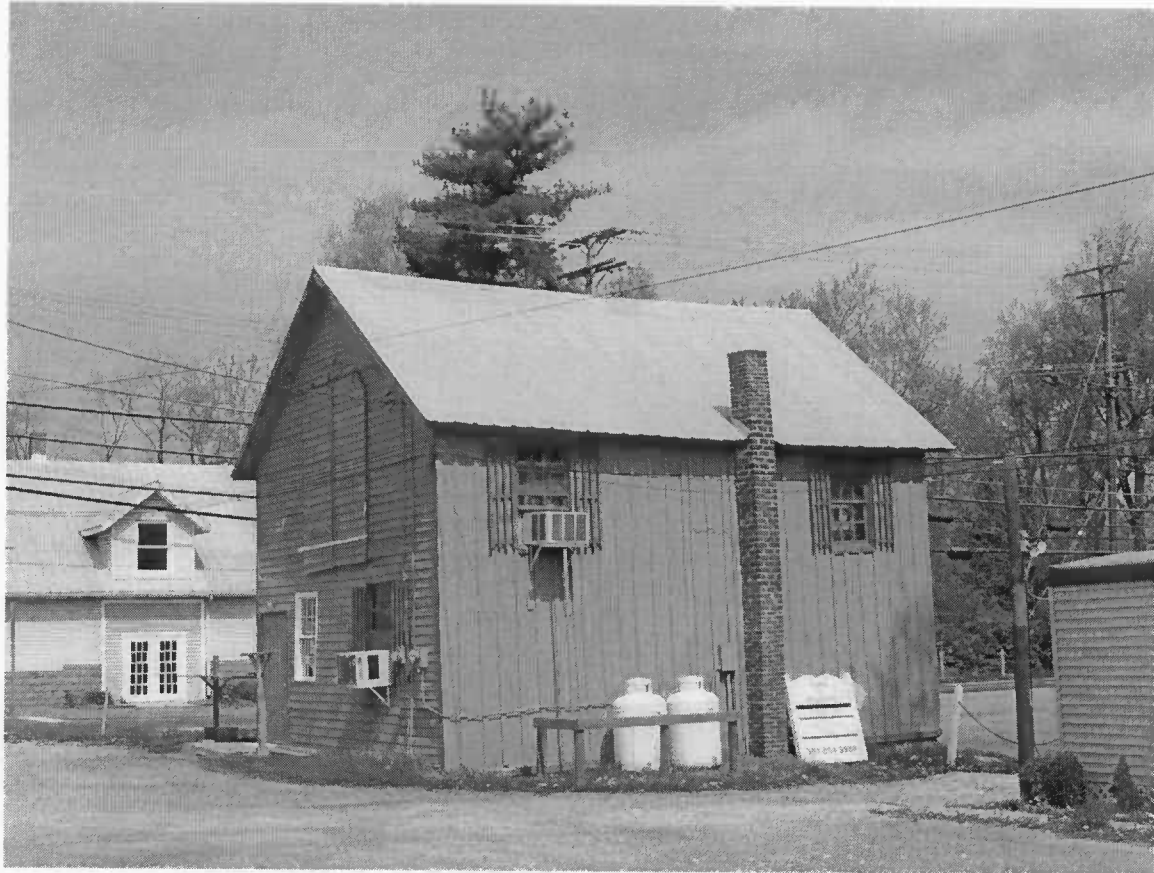
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South elevation

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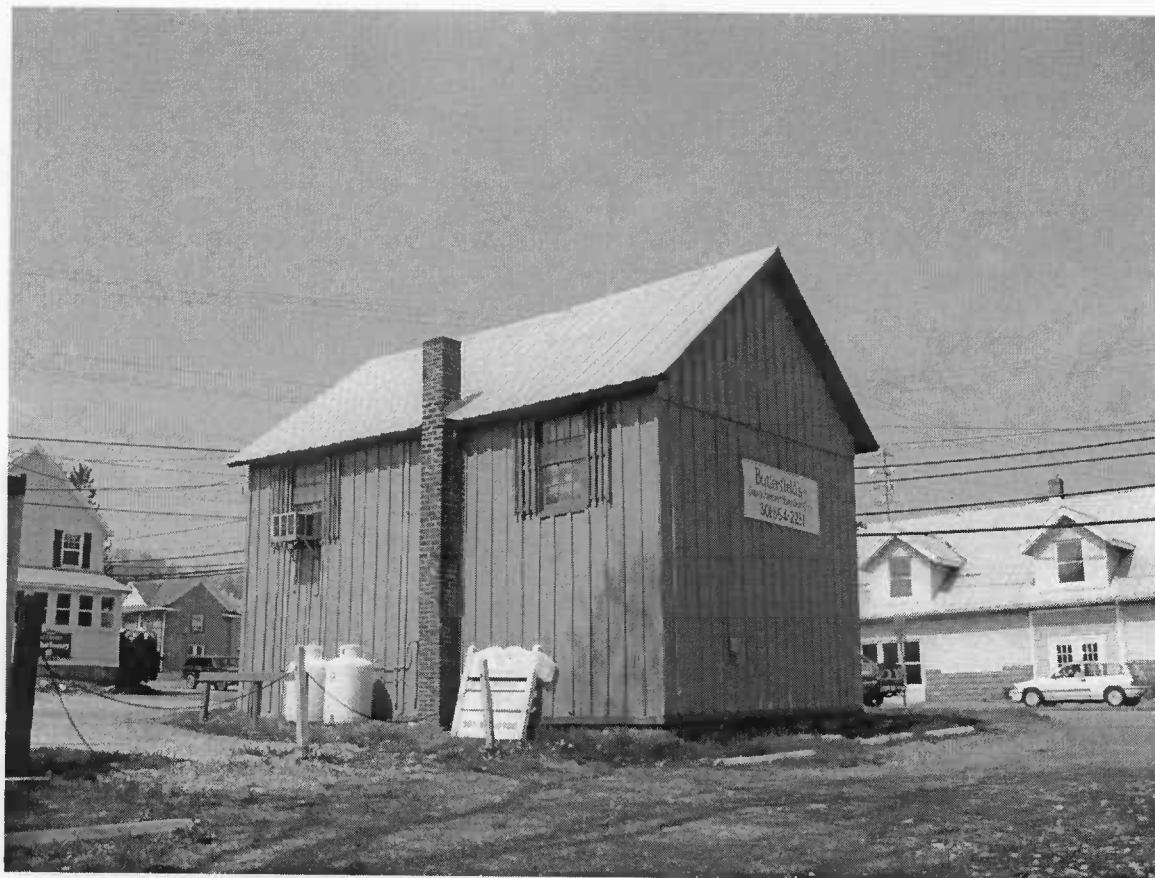
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East elevation

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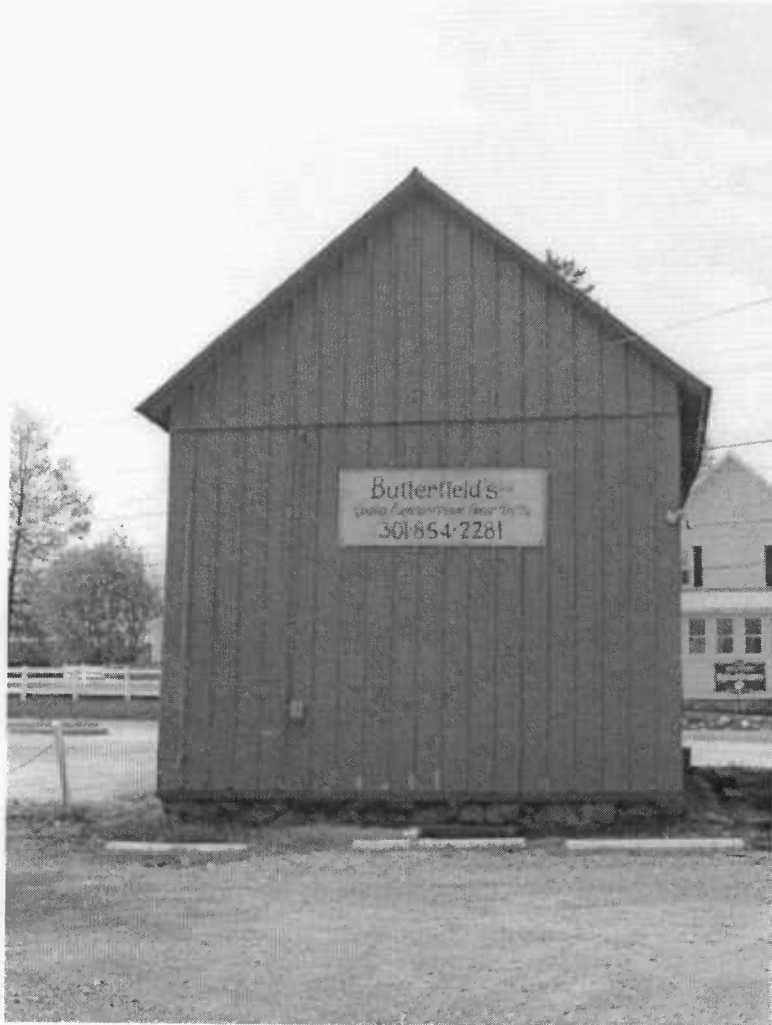
Highland

Northeast facade

Jennifer K. Cosham

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Name: HO-571

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Location: Route 216 and 108
Highland, Md. 20777

Photographer: Cleora B. Thompson, A.I.C.P.

Date of Photograph: June, 1981

Negatives in possession of the Maryland Historical Trust

View: Northeast

Photographer looking: Southwest

Photograph number: 1 of 1